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A CEDAR OF LEBANON



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"The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon." Ps. 92:12

Editorially Speaking

HOW ELSE KEEP INFORMED?

A subscriber to The Standard, organ of the Baptist General Conference, recently wrote: "We appreciate most heartily the refreshing and stimulating articles and notes in The Standard. How else could we be informed concerning our fellow laborers in the Gospel and the way God is blessing them?" We receive similar notes of appreciation from our subscribers that say substantially the same thing. How can the members of Regular Baptist Churches in Ohio rejoice with those that rejoice and pray for those that weep, **UNLESS THEY ARE INFORMED?** They need to take and read the Ohio Independent Baptist.

In another column we are listing 32 Honor Churches. How we wish there were more! Maybe we should list the 44 that have 10 or more subscribers, though six that have less are nevertheless on the Honor Roll because they are doing better comparatively than others with 25 or 30 subscribers. We think it is the churches that try hard enough to get 10% or more of their members to subscribe that should be honored. Either the pastor has to go from house to house to get them, or what is better, he has to see to it that some good member does it for him. Subscriptions don't come from pulpit announcements. It takes work. Maybe we could get a few if we threatened to publish a list of the 16 that have only one subscriber or the 6 that have none! Of course we won't do that, for the lack of local cooperation in such churches is usually punishment enough. How can we expect our people to cooperate in soul-winning efforts or in giving to missions or for enlarging the church, **IF THEY ARE NOT INFORMED?**

We realize some pastors may have been disappointed with the results of getting their people to subscribe. Half of those that subscribe refuse to renew, or do so very reluctantly. May we suggest that sending in news will do no good if we have no subscribers at home to read it; and that subscriptions will do little good if no news or

articles are ever sent in? It is the combination that makes the magazine a blessing to your people. Let them read about your own church or one of your sermons, and they will be so pleased they will read the rest of the paper and get inspiration and instruction that you have been trying for months to give them. The OIB is not an added burden wished on our churches and pastors, but a link of fellowship and inspiration to make our local work go better. We get what we put into it. If we put much in, we will get much out.

POSTPONED AGAIN!

We still do not know whether the Firestone property can be purchased for a Home for the Aged. At the Jan. 4th meeting the Zoning Board simply went over the new Copley Township constitution and seemed to approve of it; but they postponed consideration of our petition until Feb. 1st. So keep on praying until a letter is sent to our pastors as to the final disposition. We hope that letter will come before our March issue.

Recently we heard the rumor that one pastor does not take the magazine because he does not believe in a "state secretary!" We hope that rumor is not true, but in a sense your editor will admit that he is a secretary, although not an "executive" kind! Since he can't afford a secretary or an office, he spends long hours pounding his own typewriter in his own living room. He spends almost as much time answering troubled pastors as he does in writing up the magazine and he so wishes he could help them. If he were an "executive secretary" maybe he could; but now he can only daily pray for those that are going through deep waters. He finds that his half time job is rapidly becoming a full time one, for \$150 a month and without parsonage or anything except transportation furnished. Frequently he takes a bus to save on mileage.

It has been said that it is not the salary that is wrong, but the principle of a hired representative. If it is wrong, then all salaried pastors must be wrong too,

for the only Scriptures we can find on the subject are the ones our primitive brethren use to prove that pastors should not be paid. If it is wrong, it would seem that God would withdraw his blessings from the GARBC, which has three paid representatives, and from our associations in Iowa, Indiana and Illinois. These states had the courage to get full time workers when they only had 40 churches each. Now they have grown to 60, 65 and 55 respectively. Surely Ohio can afford a worker with 112 churches in the fellowship!

After all, your representative does only what the magazine does—travel among the churches to inform and enthuse them in the service of Christ—or try to help a pastorless church get together with a man who wants to move. So long as he does not have an ounce of authority, which he so evidently does not, why object to an informative and inspirational ministry? **HOW ELSE CAN WE KEEP INFORMED?**

A CATHOLIC PRESIDENT—HOW SOON?

Now that John Kennedy has made himself available as a Democratic candidate for president, and Governor DiSalle has promised him the Ohio delegation at the June convention, we all face the strong probability that a Roman Catholic will soon occupy the White House, and the possibility it may be as soon as 1961.

If the Lord tarries another forty years, it is almost certain that several Catholics will have served as presidents, that our Constitution will have been changed to make Romanism the favored religion, that Protestant missionaries will no longer get visas to go to Catholic lands, and that parochial schools will be supported by taxation. So long as Protestants have small families and Catholics have large ones, that is almost a mathematical certainty—unless a new Reformation splits the papal system or we learn how to do missionary work at home.

As for the possibility that John Kennedy will become our next president, that will depend upon

how many Protestants can be aroused to protest before the Democratic National Convention, or, if necessary, will put freedom ahead of party loyalty and vote for a Protestant. If the Democrats do nominate Mr. Kennedy for the presidency, it is certain that there will be strong pressure put on the Republicans to nominate a Catholic for vice president. American Catholics will do all in their power to get their men on both tickets. Unless we let our opposition be heard, we will lose out by default.

The Catholic controlled press would have us believe that only bigots and ignoramus are opposed to a Catholic president; but actually those who know what Rome teaches are the most concerned. A Catholic High School book, A Manual of Christian Doctrine, proves that Catholics are taught that separation of church and state is wrong (in spite of anything Senator Kennedy may himself believe), and that our Constitution should be changed to bring about a union with Romanism. We quote from pages 132 and 133:

"119. What then is the principle obligation of heads of States? Their principal obligation is to practice the Catholic religion themselves, and, as they are in power, to protect and defend it.

or heresy? (That means, outlaw non-Catholic denominations.) Yes, it has the right and the duty to do so both for the good of the nation,

"120. Has the State the right and the duty to proscribe schism and for that of the faithful themselves

"122. May the State separate itself from the Church? No, because it may not withdraw from the supreme rule of Christ."

That means that according to Catholic doctrine separation of church and state is against Christ. It defines such separation as Liberalism and then says:

"124. Why is Liberalism to be condemned? 1. Because it denies all subordination of the State to the Church"

We wish all Democrats, who pride themselves on belonging to the Liberal party, could realize Rome is actually anti-liberal and favors a despotic government whenever she dares—as she favored Mussolini and still favors Franco in Spain.

What would Mr. Kennedy do if elected? Not one thing to offend
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GOD'S CALL TO A LEADER

JOSHUA 1:9

BE STRONG—there are so many burdens
Of home and church and state to bear;
The multitude in human weakness
Is trusting to thy manly care.

BE NOT AFRAID—a heart courageous
Can rout a thousand forms of wrong,
And kindle in the good that spirit
That makes them militant and strong!

BE NOT DISMAYED—those strange surprises,
That stagger minds of lesser mould,
Are all foreknown to Him thou serve-
est;
And He his servant will uphold.

THE LORD THY GOD is with thee daily
Where ever He may lead thy feet—
Thy mighty Captain of Salvation,
Who never yet has called retreat.
—R. T. N.

AMEN, BROTHER SAM MORRIS!

We spoke on the subject: "Television's Greatest Fraud." We showed how the deception, "fixes," "frauds," and "rigs" of the television scandals we have heard so much about are mere pikers compared to the deception, misrepresentation, misinformation, and harm resulting from the advertising, glamorization, glorification, and promotion of booze drinking on the television networks.

The "rigged" television shows wrecked no homes, resulted in no jail sentences and death penalties, created no traffic slaughter, and produced no helpless, hopeless poverty and illness like alcohol does. If the government, the FCC and the industry want to protect the public against deception, then let them ban the advertising of beverage alcohol from the air waves because it is the biggest fraud, deception and hoax in radio or television. Such legislation would not only be a dry victory, it would be a national triumph of honesty, intelligence, justice and safety.

OIB readers ought to do more than say amen. They ought to write to their congressmen and urge that crime, vulgarity and alcohol advertising be banned from television. The corrupters will holler about free speech; but what we need in these TV days is freedom to protect our homes from corruption.

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TEARS OF SORROW, SHEAVES OF JOY

By Pastor Ernest J. Virgint, Grace Baptist Church, Troy, Ohio

The Gospel of Mark closes with the Great Commission: "And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." This is the Great Commission—words and Christians joined in action.

We well know from The Acts of the Apostles the manner in which these closing words of the Gospel have come true. Bonds, afflictions and persecution were the first fruits reaped by the laborers in Christ's harvest field. Yet we also know that in spite of every effort of Satan, the word of truth was not preached in vain; for the little seed of Christianity grew gradually into a great tree, a mighty force for God and his kingdom. The good seed was never entirely lost, for sooner or later there were "signs following." "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:47).

Let us believe that no one shall ever work faithfully for Christ without profit; let us labor patiently, each in his own place of service—preaching, teaching, writing, warning, testifying—and rest assured that our labor is not vain "in the Lord." The Apostle Paul says, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58). The way we take may be hard, many we contact might not seem to heed God's message of Grace, and so it appears we must sow the precious seed with many tears; but if we are faithful in sowing, we have the promise that we shall come again with joy, "bringing our sheaves with us." Listen to God's word: "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Ps. 126:6).

In the first part of this verse, the Psalmist seems to express repeated action on the part of the worker, who often "goeth forth" to sow. In the second half he expresses the certainty of a glad return with fruit for his labor. Hence we have two precious truths worthy of our consideration:

TEARFUL SOWING AND JOYFUL REAPING

First, we sow in tears because of the preciousness of the seed, for every grain is a trophy and a memorial of Christ's pain. "But he was wounded for our transgres-



sions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed" (Isa. 53:5).

In view of this we must sow with all our might, even though it means sowing in the wet weather of sorrow, in the storms of persecution and ridicule. At the end, the bringing in of the sheaves will bring joy to the faithful servant of God. When a man's heart is so stirred that he weeps over the sins of others, he is right in the place where God can use him; for there is no birth without travail, and there is no spiritual harvest without compassion. Let us pray and ask God for the compassion of his dear Son, who "beheld the city and wept over it." This one who wept knew well the character of the inhabitants of Jerusalem—their cruelty, their selfishness, their obstinate prejudice against the truth, their pride of heart were not hidden from him. "Jesus knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth and said unto them, What seek ye." Yet knowing the inhabitants of this city would nail him to a cross, the Lord Jesus pitied them. "He beheld the city and wept over it."

Dear reader, we know little of true Christianity if we do not feel a deep concern when we see the lost condition of many about us. To

care nothing whether our neighbors are going to heaven or hell is no doubt the way of the world. Christians of this spirit (and there are many in our churches) are very unlike David, who said, "Rivers of waters run down my eyes, because they keep not thy law" (Ps. 119:136). And further, they are very unlike Paul, who said, "I have great heaviness and continual sorrow for my brethren" (Rom. 9:2).

O beloved, what God expects of us is faithfulness in sowing the seed. Let us sow it with rivers of waters running down our eyes. Paul said to young Timothy: "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to FAITHFUL MEN, who shall be able to teach others" (II Tim. 2:2). Our master adds, "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much . . ." (Luke 16:10).

Secondly let us observe that there is "joyful reaping." This is the promise of Almighty God. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, SHALL DOUBTLESS COME AGAIN."

In the sweat of his brow the farmer goes forth and works his land—plows it, harrows it, plants his seed, and then waits for the harvest. How like the Christian worker! He plants the seed of God's word in the heart of man, and then he commits that seed to God's Holy Spirit, who can watch it, use it, and bring a man to repentance and God. Unless the Spirit of God works in a man's heart, our labor is in vain.

In all our dealings with men, let us constantly remember, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it" (Ps. 127:1). When the Spirit of truth is come, He will reprove the world of sin and of righteousness, and of judgment to come and will guide you (and sinners) into all truth (John 16:8, 13). Christian worker, it is not you who will guide, but it is Christ and his abiding Spirit in you that through your witness will lead sinners to repentance. Let us ever remember that, for unless we pray in the Spirit and depend on the Spirit to do the work of saving a man's soul, we labor in vain. Perhaps that

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is why so many labor without results, because there is too much self and not enough of the Spirit!

Christians, we are not isolated in the work, "for we are laborers together with God." We belong to an advancing army, we fight in a field of victory, we serve a Master who must push his cause until he has fulfilled his plans and will for his church. Gospel tears are never lost—they are seeds of comfort. While we pour out tears, God pours out joy—the joy of precious souls being saved for time and eternity.

One who knew the great preacher Whiteside well, and attended his services more frequently perhaps than any other person, said he hardly ever knew him to go through a sermon without weeping. His voice was often interrupted by tears which were sometimes so excessive as to stop him for a few moments. "You blame me for weeping," he would say, "but how can I help it when you will not weep for yourselves, though your mortal souls are on the verge of destruction, and for aught you know, you are hearing your last sermon and may never more have an opportunity to have Christ offered you?"

TEACHERS, PASTORS, CHRISTIAN WORKERS, let us go forth with weeping, bearing precious seed for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

"The day brought confusion and the night brought despair,
So I whispered my story to Him in a prayer;
My strength seemed too feeble,
my will seemed all gone,
But He sent fresh courage on wings of the dawn."

—John Henry Owens

A CATHOLIC PRESIDENT— HOW SOON?

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the Protestant majority, but his election would encourage Catholics to be more arrogant, more missionary, work harder for the day when they can run our country their way. If we let them take the first step, they will take the final step in time. It is the second or third Catholic president we have to fear, and the sure way to save ourselves is never to have a first.

REV. JAMES G. SPAULDING LABORS AT NEWARK



Last fall the group at Newark gathered by the labors of Gordon Dolloff and Roland G. Allen asked The Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions to take over the work, and Rev. and Mrs. James G. Spaulding were sent to be the workers. They arrived in October and have been working faithfully to build up the constituency of the group and lead them to the place where they can be organized into a Regular Baptist Church—which we hope will not be too long in the future. It is a hard field, with much competition, and so they will need our prayers and also should have more financial support.

Rev. Spaulding is a son of Rev. Clark E. Spaulding of La Junta, Colorado, who was formerly one of our active supporters of all our associational activities while pastor of the Northside Baptist Church of Lima. He attended and graduated from Cedarville College, where he met his wife, Patricia, who is from Delevan, N. Y. Since marrying and graduating, he moved to Delevan and there became very much interested in the work of Delevan Baptist Church, serving as Sunday school superintendent and deacon. Last May this church ordained him to the Gospel ministry. His father, Clark Spaulding, preached his ordination message, Rev. Alvin Ross of Hamburg, who formerly was pastor of the Blessed Hope Baptist Church of Springfield, Ohio, brought the charge to the church, his pastor, Rev. Harold A. Wittig, gave him his charge, and his brother, Rev. Clark Spaulding, Jr., offered the ordination prayer. Not long after this he was accepted as a home missionary by the FBHM.

We welcome Rev. and Mrs. Spaulding and their son Steven to our fellowship and will often pray for them that God may give them much success at Newark. They live at 226 Buckingham St., Newark, Ohio, and would be glad to hear from their many Ohio friends.

EUROPEAN INVASION

■ It's startling but true—there are more pagans in France than in the Belgian Congo; there are more pagans in Germany than in Ghana, Nigeria and Liberia combined.

■ Now the PTL has been called of God to begin a large scale evangelization and Scripture distribution campaign in France, Germany and Holland. Millions of Gospels of John, many thousands of New Testaments, will be needed for this effort. Multitudes in Europe have never held a Bible in their hands. Yet these are countries from which our own heritage springs. It is our turn now to help them.

■ Meanwhile the work in Africa must go on. Pray and give that the witness may go forward simultaneously in Europe and Africa.

Alfred A. Kunz, International Director

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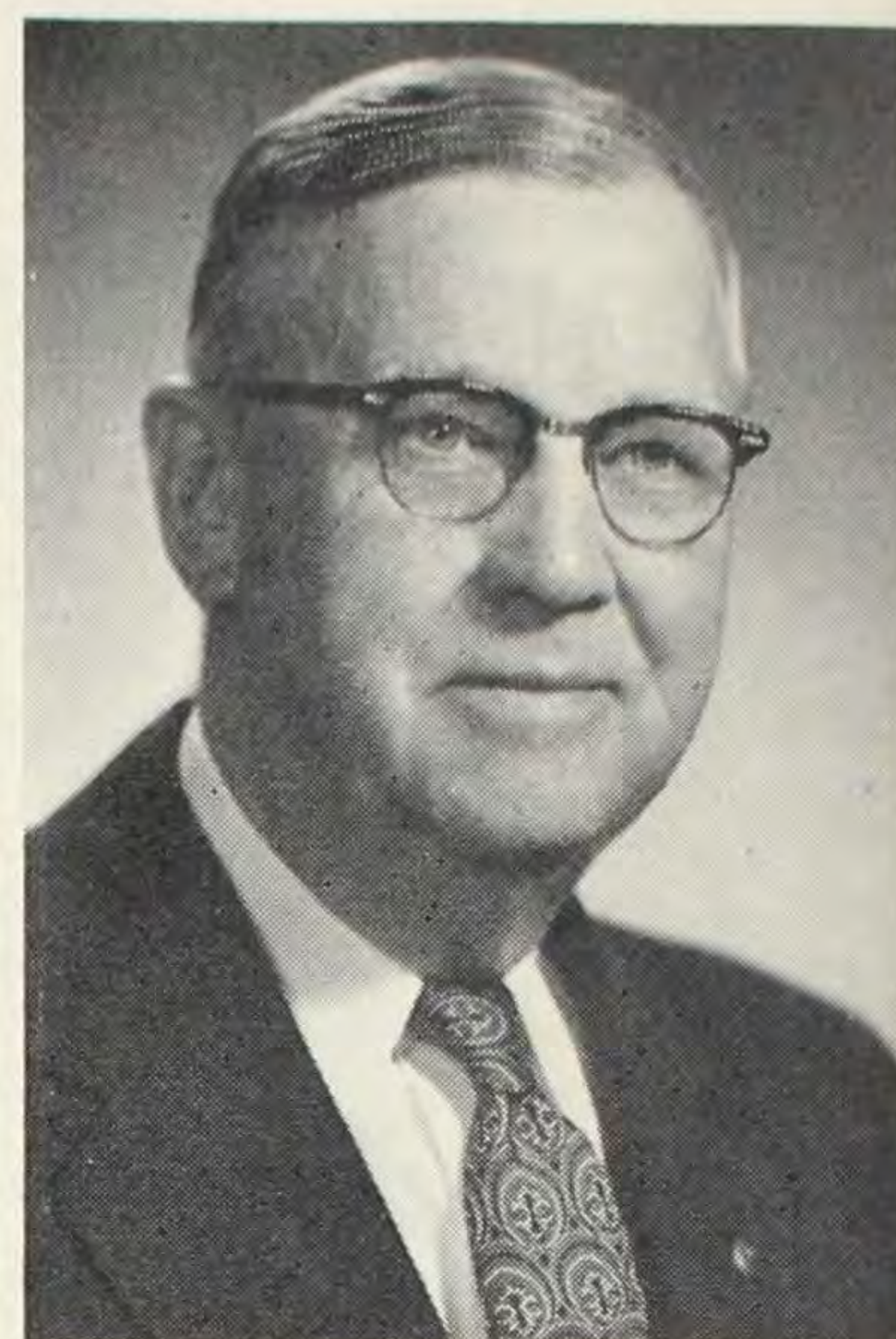
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BAPTIST MID-MISSIONS CALLS REV. ALLAN E. LEWIS



Rev. and Mrs. Allen E. Lewis

(There'll be few dry eyes among the friends of Rev. and Mrs. Lewis and of Baptist Mid-Missions when they read this story—at least the editor must confess he cried to the Lord when he heard the first intimation of the call. He wanted to write post-haste to Brother Lewis and say, "Please stay at Euclid-Nottingham," and then decided he better leave him with the Lord. He pretty well knew how it would be decided—there just wasn't much of any other answer to such a call but "Yes!" We know how his church feels, but they got him from missionary parents and will feel it is a privilege to give him back—now as their missionary.)



Mr. George S. Milner

Last November at the quarterly conference at Muskegon, Michigan, the General Council of Baptist Mid-Missions extended a call to Rev. Allan E. Lewis, pastor of Euclid-Nottingham Baptist Church, to become president in a full-time capacity. After a month of prayerful consideration, this African-born missionary son of Rev. A. J. Lewis came to the conclusion expressed in a letter written Dec. 23rd—a conclusion his brethren in the ministry almost wished he would not come to and yet were sure he would:

"Dear Brother Milner:

"The action of the General Council in Muskegon, electing me president of Baptist Mid-Missions, sent us to our knees before the Lord that we might ascertain His will regarding our future ministry.

"The years in the pastorate have been extremely happy ones and it is not easy to think of breaking ties that have been woven with the threads of love and fellowship during our eleven years with the Euclid-Nottingham Baptist Church. There is no disillusionment concerning the dimensions and the difficulties of the task ahead for the world missionary picture is a complicated one.

"We rejoice in the fact that Baptist Mid-Missions is the Lord's work and He is the One who knows the end from the beginning. The

Lord has given us peace concerning this matter and so it is with quiet confidence in the power of God that we enter this new field of service. As He has given us peace for our hearts we feel sure He will give strength and wisdom for our service."

While we know he will not have the time to give to our state associational work that he has given in the past, and that and the good of this our largest church were our only reasons for wishing he might remain as pastor, we do rejoice that Rev. and Mrs. Lewis and children will continue to live at their home in Euclid. We trust he will at least be able to finish out his term with Home and Camp and may be able to continue beyond that. We feel we need his wise counsel and experience.

We give the picture of Mrs. Lewis along with his, for she has been about as active in the women's work in the state as he has been in the work of the Council and Home and Camp. At Euclid-Nottingham she shares the honors of making the pastorate there a noteworthy one in the history of the church. He came to the old Nottingham church in the summer of 1948 and soon the place was crowded to the doors. An addition was built and every available inch of space used, until the parsonage had to be used for Sunday school purposes. The first unit of the new church was begun

in 1954, a large, three-story building that all of us will have an opportunity to see at our annual meeting there next October. It has already been filled to the place where two morning services are being held, with a membership of 815 and a morning attendance that sometimes exceeds that.

Of his work in the Ohio Association as frequent council member and chairman, and as chairman of the board of trustees of Home and Camp nothing needs to be said except to thank him, for all know of his active leadership among us. What we must explain is that as full-time administrator of Baptist Mid-Missions, beginning February first, he will want to keep busy among the churches and present the challenge of adequate support for the 617 missionaries now serving and the need of sending out many more willing candidates to fields that are white to harvest. And he will indeed need our prayers as he seeks to lead this co-operative enterprise of all these missionaries and of many field councils in 22 foreign countries, in the homeland, in Alaska and Hawaii. He will have the continuing services of Rev. Milton D. Arnold, Arthur G. Fetzner, Rev. Denzel Osburn, Rev. Robert Ryerse, Miss Gladys Baines, of Rev. Gordon Mellish as Canadian representative, and of Rev. Leo Sandgren as representative on the Pacific coast.

BAPTIST MID-MISSIONS CALLS REV. ALLAN E. LEWIS

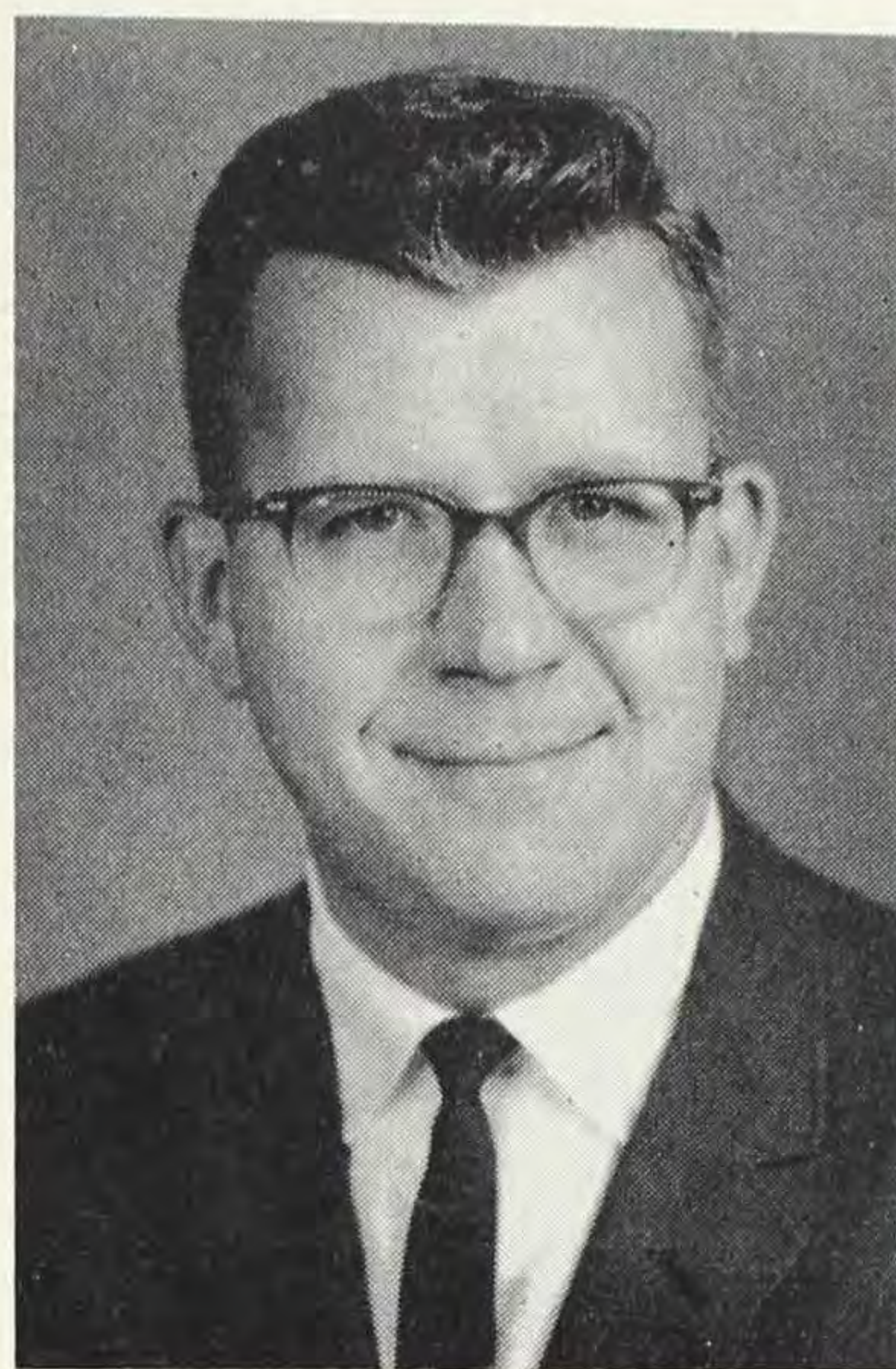
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We know that President Lewis will want us to say something of the long and blessed labors of George S. Milner, who has served as president of Baptist Mid-Missions for 15 years. As a business man he gave unstintingly of his time and means and brought the mission through a most critical period of moving from Mishawaka to Cleveland and of re-organization. At the time he assumed the presidency of the board, Baptist Mid-Missions had 150 missionaries on home and foreign fields. Since then that family has grown to 617 and entered several new fields.

In a letter from Mr. Milner he gives large credit in the early days to Miss Lucy Fisher as office secretary, who is now a missionary in the Ozarks; also to Mr. C. C. Barrett, a Cleveland business man who gave up a very lucrative position in an industrial company to become General Secretary and Treasurer. After 3½ years of service, he passed away, but he left the impact of his dedication on the Mission. We have already named the administrative personnel who will continue to serve under President Lewis, and they are named just about in the order in which they took up the work. One more should be mentioned who served as candidate secretary for some years and who is now one of our pastors, Rev. Edward Morrell, Jr. It would only be right to say that Mrs. Milner also served a number of years in the office, and that without a faithful staff of office girls, both full time and volunteer, the \$1,763,000 business of Baptist Mid-Missions could not go on.

Mr. Milner hopes to continue to give some time to the work of the Mission as Chairman of the Council. He has been temporarily laid aside by a heart condition, but his physician assures him that a period of rest will enable him to continue for years yet. We sincerely hope so, for Mr. Milner is another leader our association has learned to lean upon. We thank him for his services and wish him a speedy recovery.

NEW RICHLAND CALLS ROBERT HUMPHREYS



The New Richland Baptist Church extended a call to Robert L. Humphreys to become their pastor and he accepted and has already begun his work. A senior at Cedarville College, he had already been supplying most of the time since Rev. Harvey Christian left in November. He is a member of the Emmanuel Baptist

Church of Toledo, where he did real service during the six or more months the church was without a pastor, looking after the calling and activities of the church and also preaching at times when there was no candidate or other supply minister present. The summer previous he gained rich experience as assistant to Pastor George O'Keefe at the Brookside Baptist Church of Cleveland. He also comes well recommended by the college.

He hopes to graduate from Cedarville this June, and is also looking forward to marriage and ordination. He says he believes the field of New Richland (just outside of Belle Center) is white unto harvest and is ready for reaping. That in itself is a token of victory and we expect to hear good reports from this country church. The attendance grew considerably under the ministry of Brother Christian, improvements were made and an organ secured from Claud Foster, and they are a united congregation in the feeling they were led to God's man. May the Lord of the harvest bless them as pastor and people labor together.

DECEMBER GIFTS TO THE OHIO ASSOCIATION

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Emmanuel Baptist Church—Xenia, Ohio	15.00
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FROM THE WOMAN'S POINT OF VIEW

(Edited by Mrs. Theona S. Smelser, 125 Friendship St., Medina, Ohio)

(Women's activities and things of interest to women should be sent to Mrs. Smelser. What about one of your recipes? Recipes for child training too, or for good missionary meetings, and news of your circle.)

OUR WORST ENEMY

Mrs. Anderson gave her hair a last touch and carefully put on her stylish black hat. "No," she thought, "I won't serve on that committee another year. They had no right to call a meeting and not let me know." As she, a few minutes later, entered the church basement where all the church ladies were gathering for their monthly missionary meeting, she came face to face with Mrs. Jones, chairman of the calling committee. "Good morning," Mrs. Anderson snapped very coolly, and hurried to go on into the coat room to get away from her "friend." Mrs. Jones had tried to call her attention for she wanted to explain that they had lost the list of the committee members and she was sorry that they slipped up on letting her know when the committee met the last time. But Mrs. Anderson was quickly hurrying into the kitchen and she had no opportunity to explain. Perhaps you've guessed it. She was suffering from a big dose of self-pity. The focal point of her interest was not the committee or what she might do for the Lord through serving on it, but it was SELF in capital letters!

Did you ever have an acquaintance whom you had to "handle with kid gloves?" That was the case of Mrs. Anderson. Their feelings get hurt so easily. When you analyze them you discover that their trouble is they are thinking of their own rights; and if they are Christians, they have forgotten that they are supposed to be "crucified with Christ" and Christ should be doing the living in them. The above lady would not have even noticed that she was skilled if she had been rejoicing in what was accomplished for the Lord through their efforts.

It has been said that the letter "I" is in the center of the word "sin," and it is surely true that self is at the core of all sin. Take the very first one for example. Lucifer wanted to exalt himself above God and the passage in Isaiah 14:12-15 which describes that incident contains the pronoun in the first person six times in

two verses. When Satan came to Eve and she yielded to temptation, self caused her to want that beautiful fruit to satisfy her own appetite.

Then there is another kind of result that comes from self. Mrs. Brown had been brought up in a sweet Christian home and knew her Bible and loved the Lord, but she felt she wasn't capable of teaching Sunday school. The phone rang and she dried her hands from the dish pan. It was the Sunday school superintendent asking her if she would take a class in the junior department. Her mind went back to all the training she had had in her home; but then she thought how much better some other teacher did the job and found herself saying, "No, Mr. Smith, I'm afraid I couldn't do it. I'm just too busy. Yes—Yes, I'm always there—but—well, I'm just not a good teacher. I have to learn more first." Oh, poor Mrs. Brown! She just passed by a wonderful opportunity to do something for the Lord whom she loves, just because she thought of her own weakness (self) instead of the Lord's strength.

That is where our identity with Christ comes in. If He is living through us, we "can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth us." Too much humility may be camouflaged selfishness. The rest of Galatians 2:20, which I started to quote above, says, "... nevertheless I live, yet not I but Christ liveth in me..." What a strengthening to feel our identity with Him!

Did you ever have one of those comfortable friends? One who wasn't wondering, if you didn't find time to write for months at a time, but understood that you just were so very busy but loved them just the same? That's the kind of friend who doesn't look for an explanation if you stop in to chat with some other friend and pass right by their house for lack of time.

We all have this enemy to fight, for we are born with that sinful nature in our heart, but John had

the answer to the problem in John 3:30—"He must increase, but I must decrease."

FROM THE RECIPE FILE

HOT BISCUIT

3 cups flour
1/4 tsp. salt
3 tsp. baking powder
7 level T. Crisco
1 c. milk (sweet)

Sift dry ingredients together into a large bowl. Cut Crisco into the flour mixture. (I can do it better with my hands—maybe you can too.) Stir milk in lightly with fork. Turn out on floured board and fold in and over lightly a few times until it is smooth. Roll out about 1/2 inch thick and cut out with a small cutter or a juice glass. Place 1/2 inch apart on an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 400 about 15 minutes or until golden brown.

CORRECTION

In the December issue of the O.I.B. we published the recipe for Whole Wheat Bread. We said to grease the table and hands with shortening to work the dough, and that should have been specifically *lard* for if you use vegetable shortening it may stick to your hands. We are sorry for the error.

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OUR HONOR CHURCHES

So far as we know, we have 5 churches with all active families taking the OIB:

Bible Baptist, Bedford; Brookside, Cleveland; Bible Baptist, Grove City; Road Fork, Harriettsville; and First Baptist, Strongsville. (To save space we leave out the word Baptist except where it is awkward to do so. If any others qualify, please let us know.)

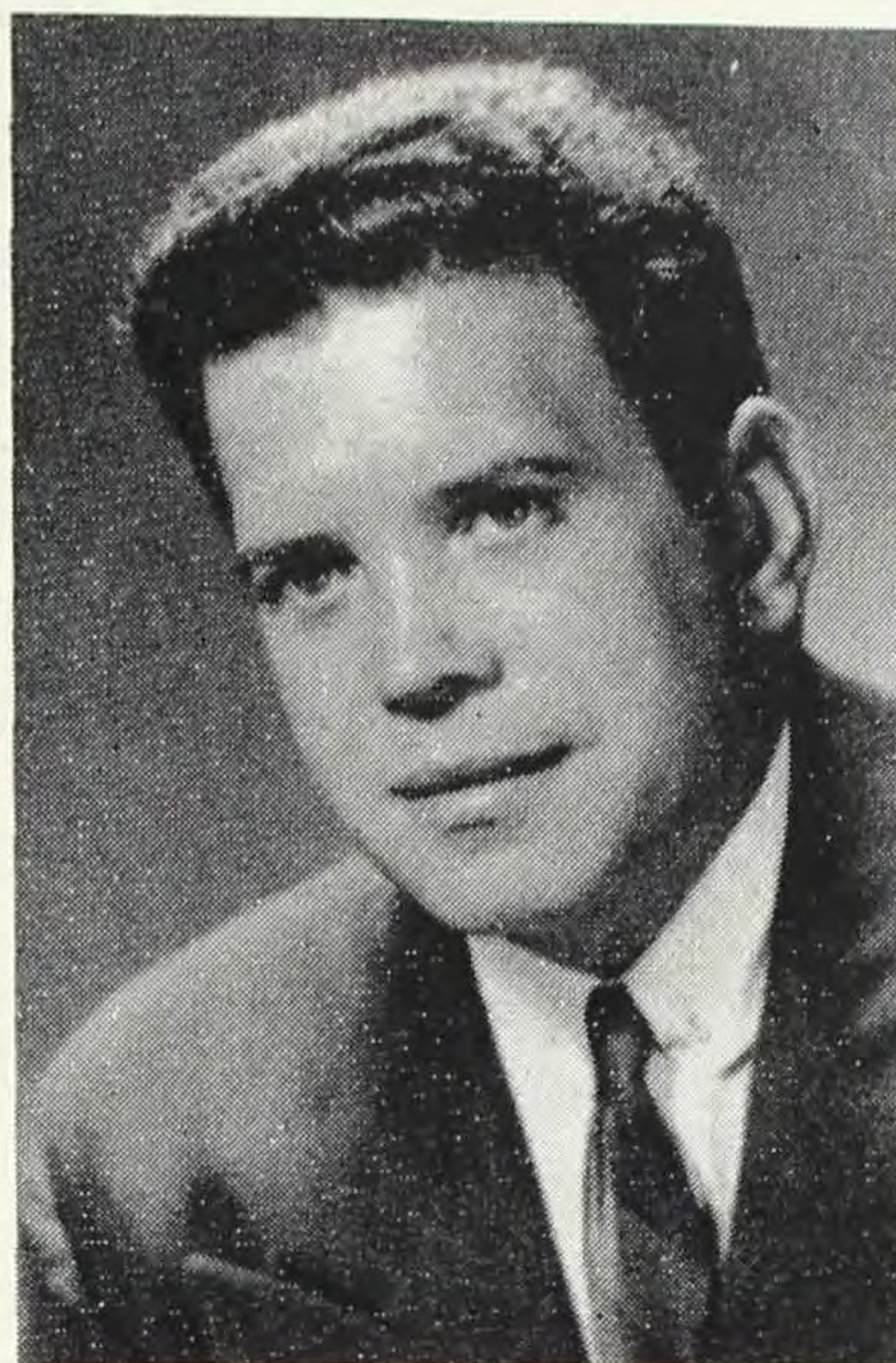
Then we have 27 churches with anywhere from 10 to 34% of their last reported membership subscribing, which in 5 means all but one or two active families. We list the five "almost" churches first:

Midview, Grafton; Fostoria; Calvary, Tiffin; Clintonville, Columbus; Calvary, Norwalk; So. Canaan, Athens; Berea; New Richland, Belle Center; Calvary, Bucyrus; Grace, Cedarville; First Baptist, Elyria; First Baptist, Galion; Trinity, Lorain; First Baptist, Medina; First Baptist, New London; Northfield; North Jackson; Bible Baptist, N. Madison; North Olmsted; Bible Baptist, Otsego; Grace, Rocky River; Sharon, Pa., Maranatha, Springfield; Grace, Troy; First Baptist, Wauseon; Grace, Youngstown; Bible Church (GARB), Xenia.

Can small churches afford to subscribe for all their families? Well, all but one of the five that do are small. They must think the investment in inspiration will help them grow!

Do pastors have time in large churches to push subscriptions? Well, seven of them are above the associational average. Actually, we know only one pastor who tries to get the subscriptions himself and succeeds! The right way, unless he is a born salesman, is to boost the OIB publicly, but appoint some active captain or a class to do the real work. There is only one way to get subscriptions and that is to ask every home personally. Samples will be sent free and simple instructions on how to put on a campaign to any one who asks for it. If 32 churches with 3,870 members can furnish us 793 subscribers, all our churches with nearly 19,000 could bring in nearly 3,900! Why not try it in your church?

NEW PASTOR AT EMMANUEL BAPTIST, AKRON



We now have the picture we promised last month. Rev. Don

C. Lewis and family came from Lone Grove, Texas, where he held his first pastorate and was ordained in 1955. He attended Howard Payne College, a Baptist school at Brownwood, Texas, and Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville. They have a boy (Scott) and a girl (Terri). He has already subscribed to the OIB, and invited the editor to come January 24th to explain about the way for the church to come into the Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches. We rejoice in that spirit of cooperation and fellowship. Churches and pastors with that spirit usually go places.

God is continuing to bless the work at Emmanuel. In the short time Pastor Lewis has been there 12 have been saved and baptized, and 7 have come in by letter. There have been 9 re-dedications, one of them to full time service.

DEC. GIFTS TO OHIO REGULAR BAPTIST HOME & CAMP

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GIFTS TO CAMP PATMOS

North Royalton Baptist S. S.	\$ 20.00
Brookside Baptist Church, Cleveland	5.00
Northfield Baptist Church	20.00
First Baptist Church, McDonald	10.00
First Baptist Church, Elyria	61.65
Bethlehem Baptist Church, Cleveland	5.00
Penfield Jet. Baptist Church, Lorain	10.00
Berea Baptist Church	10.00
Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Cleveland	10.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Arcanum	10.00
Trinity Baptist Church, Lorain	9.22
First Baptist Church, Gallipolis	15.00
Mrs. Hilda P. Overmyer, Bellevue	15.00
Ambrose Baptist Church, Fayette	8.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Bellefontaine	15.00
Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Springfield	10.00
Evansville Baptist Church	10.00

GIFTS TO HOME

Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Howell, Struthers	\$ 25.00
Women's Missionary Union of Hebron Ass'n	20.00
Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Beane, Spencer	25.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Cleveland	411.00
First Baptist Church, Strongsville	30.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Xenia	3.00
Previously reported	5,184.01
Total received until Dec. 31, 1959 for Home	\$5,698.01

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With Paul Gonder, Sharon Baptist Church, Sharon, Pa.

YOUR BEAUTY AND TALENT are gifts from God. Don't *dare* take pride in either of them! Be happy, full of hope and the love of living. But remember, youth is also a time of seriousness, especially when it comes to making decisions. The results of some of your choices will last a lifetime—a lifetime of happiness . . . or unhappiness. Listen to me, will you? *Never, never* make an important decision without asking God to help you in it. He will never lead you astray.

Sled-Riding Headlines Sharon Baptist Party

Young people and several guests of the Sharon (Pa.) Baptist Church slid down the hills of a nearby countryside as they held a Sled-Riding Party during the third week of January.

The fun-filled event was closed later with refreshments and devotions at the home of Sally Mesmer, youth fellowship president.

The Sharon youth fellowship recently sponsored an 86-minute Christian movie in the church with guests present from several surrounding churches.

Euclid-Nottingham Choir Sings At Rally

On January 16th, the Euclid-Nottingham Baptist Church choir presented special music at the monthly Cleveland youth rally.

The Voice of Christian Youth, directed by Orves Stevens, held a rally at the Cedar Hill Baptist Church.

Mack Spence attended with the choir, presenting special numbers on the musical bells. Speaker was Rev. Marsteller who is pastor of the Struthers Baptist Tabernacle.

The next rally will be held on Feb. 20th with Rev. Stanley Colison as the main speaker. Calvary Baptist Church in Cleveland will be host to the lively rally.

OH HOW CUTE!

Said the toothbrush to the tooth paste
In tones of wild delight,
"I'm going to give you a great big squeeze
When we meet on the bridge to-night."

IS COLLEGE FOR THE BIRDS?



ABSOLUTELY! For *smart birds*, that is. And in another ten years even they may have trouble getting into the college of their choice.

For in less than ten years college applications are expected to double. This means many able youngsters may be turned down simply for lack of room.

To make matters worse, preposterously low salaries are driving too many gifted teachers into other fields of work.

THIS IS A SERIOUS SITUATION. Something must be done about it before it's too late. Won't you help by contributing to the college of your choice now? The returns will be greater than you think.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS SEEMED to be a big attraction at many churches in Ohio. If your young people are going to present an Easter play or pageant, please send us the word plus a few snapshots of rehearsals. Address it to 210 Arthur St., Masury, Ohio.

Carrie: "What happened to the girl who fell into the lens grinding machine?"

Larry: "She made a spectacle of herself."

South Canaan Holds Gala Party

December 22 was the big day for the teen-agers of the South Canaan Baptist Church. A successful Christmas Party topped off with carol singing was held in their church basement.

The room was beautifully decorated with crepe paper, bells, evergreens, artificial snow, a Christmas tree, and an ornamental table centerpiece.

The Canaan young people have also started a church library complete with a new bookcase. Martha Elliott is the librarian, seeing that the newly purchased books are kept neat and in order.

Patmos Calls For Emblem Design

Directors and leaders of Camp Patmos are calling on all Ohio young people to design an emblem to be used on shirts, stationery, and souvenirs.

Youth fellowship groups are to submit entries to the editor of this magazine. Designs are to be drawn on paper not larger than the average emblems that appear on T-shirts. Any design or combination of words may be used. Judges will be Glenn Greenwood, Rev. K. Smelser, and the editor.

Adults and youth directors may help with ideas; any help that can be secured will be allowed.

Here's a real challenge to every teen-ager to be able to say this summer at camp, "I helped design that emblem."

A crowd rushed over to a man who had just been knocked down by a St. Bernard dog, and then almost immediately run over by a foreign sports car. "I didn't mind being knocked down by that animal," the man said wearily, "but that tin can tied to his tail nearly killed me."

A SERMON OUTLINE

By C. C. Maple

SUGGESTIONS FOR GROWING IN GRACE

II Pet. 3:18

In the Christian life we are to go forward, and grow in the things of the Spirit.

1. WE GROW BY ABIDING IN THE WORD.

I Pet. 2:2.

The word furnishes us with instruction for growth. (The 21 Epistles). II Tim. 3:14-17. Ps. 119:104.

2. WE GROW BY CONTINUING IN PRAYER.

Col. 4:2.

By keeping in communication with Christ we may know his will. Eph. 6:8. Phil. 4:6, 7.

3. WE GROW BY ADDING TO OUR FAITH.

II Pet. 1:5-11.

If we but continue in these virtues we must grow. Gal. 5:22, 23. II Cor. 13:5. II Thess. 1:3.

4. WE GROW BY FAITH IN ACTION.

Prov. 11:24, 25.

The more you use your gifts the more they will grow. II Cor. 9:6. Luke 12:21. II Tim. 4:7, 8.

5. WE GROW BY AVOIDING THE THINGS THAT HINDER.

Ps. 1:1, 2.

Paul had found a better way and all his needs well supplied. Phil. 4:7, 8. I John 2:15-17.

6. WE GROW BY TURNING ASIDE FROM KNOWN EVIL.

Prov. 4:14, 15.

Seek the spirit of discernment. Any question? Turn away. Eph. 2:2-6. Eph. 4:22-24.

7. WE GROW BY KEEPING CHRIST IN MIND.

II Pet. 3:18.

He is the perfect example and pattern for us to follow. Ps. 16:8. Matt. 5:48. Phil. 3:12-16 (R.V.)

"A new Marshall Plan for South America is in the making. When will we learn that we can't buy international friendship? Subsidizing Cuban sugar certainly hasn't bought us any love from Castro."

REV. L. A. SWANSON RETURNS TO ILLINOIS

After 18 months of service as pastor of the Ambrose Baptist Church near Fayette, Rev. Leonard A. Swanson and family are moving to Dolton, Illinois, where he will pastor a newly organized church at great sacrifice to himself, beginning his work Feb. 14th. The First United Baptist Church meets in a school gymnasium at 147th and Chicago Road, which puts it a few miles northeast of Harvey. It is in a mushrooming area of homes and he feels he must get in good work there before Liberal churches and cults get in too. The church has called him several times and at last he felt he must say yes. Yet it will mean going without any salary until he can find a job; and he feels it is such a challenge for reaching the lost that he should give full time to it. So he is appealing to churches to send support for six months or a year to the church treasurer, Edward Dye, 14617 Justine, Harvey, Ill., and designate it for pastoral support. He feels there is no time to lose waiting for support.

Brother Swanson is pre-eminent-ly an evangelistic preacher, but he also is a strong supporter of the GARBC and was very active in the North Bethel and Ohio associations. While we hate to lose his fellowship so soon, we hope all of our churches will pray for him and that many may find it in their hearts to help this missionary opportunity come true.

While he was born and spent most of his life in Illinois, Ohio was the state where he got on fire for Christian work. Back in the early 50's he was working and living at Tallmadge and became active in the church where Rev. B. F. Cate is pastor.

The Ambrose church will appreciate our prayers for help in finding God's man for their pulpit. For a country church it is strongly missionary, and has faithfully kept a full program of services going through the years. Ever since it came into the Ohio association under the leadership of Rev. Elton C. Hukill, it has been active in all our associational work.

MUSIC AND THE CHRISTIAN BELIEVER

By Pastor Howard K. Miller, Eastside Baptist, Lorain

(We wish we had room for an extended article on the above subject Pastor Miller had some time ago in his church monthly, but the following excerpts give us something to think about.)

"Let us cultivate spiritual tastes for good music. Guard against the inroads of Satan, who would pervert our tastes and destroy our appreciation for the sacred and worshipful . . . Satan would try to make our churches places of entertainment. He would try to substitute jazz, swing, rock and roll, and syncopation for spiritual worship. Gospel music can be full of joy and praise to the Lord without creating the atmosphere of a square dance.

"Beware of the general idea prevalent among many churches today that God wants folks to be happy, and to laugh, and that

whatever makes folks laugh and be jolly must be serving the Lord. We deplore this throbbing, rolling jungle rhythm which whips audiences into emotional frenzy. Bible-believers generally reject the type of music which appeals merely to the sentimental nature. They reject as unspiritual the type of music lifted 'blue notes and all, from the hottest of hot jazz,' even though 'sanctifying lyrics are added proclaiming they're gonna take a stroll . . . down the streets of gold.' We plead for a happy medium between the formal or unmoving music and the rock and roll rhythms of the world adapted for Christian use. God ought to be glorified in it all."

OUR FELLOWSHIP PAGES . . .

EAST SIDE BAPTIST, Lorain

God has blessed with many conversions this fall and winter. From September 1 to Christmas there were 39 additions to the church. Attendance is also good, with 404 recently in Sunday school and 409 at the morning service. The choir gave its Christmas cantata twice — first at the church December 23rd, and at the Litchfield Baptist Church the 29th. A blessed time was also had at the New Year's Watch-Night service. Rev. Robert J. Reynhout of Elyria was the special speaker.

FIRST BAPTIST, Strongsville

The church is undertaking in 1960 to pay Pastor Harry Hemminger \$100 a month, so that he may spend full time in his spiritual work. We understand he is now eligible for Social Security and so this is the upper limit he can receive from the church and still draw it. For an infant church this is a real undertaking, especially since they give 30% of all receipts to missions.

Feb. 7th they began a Challenge for Christ Contest in the Sunday school, with the school divided into two teams.

BIBLE BAPTIST, North Madison

Pastor Globig and his people are helping FBHM District Missionary, James E. Godley, get a new work started at Perry, a town half way between Madison and Painesville. Services are being held at the Perry Community Hall Sunday afternoon, with Rev. James Godley acting as temporary pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST, Elyria

Pastor Reynhout and his deacons are praying and working for the salvation of over 100 men who are on their constituency list. He is also hoping soon to have 80 to 100 adults out for a study of the Sunday school at 6:30. The Juniors are averaging 50 to 70, Intermediates 25 and the Seniors 30 at their training unions.

A CORRECTION

Miss Geneva Fox, worker among Colored people in Cleveland, thanks us for publishing the story of her work in the December issue and then says, "However, there was one very serious mistake which changed the meaning completely. Instead of saying on the bottom of page 19, 'God's work done in this way brings results,' it should have read 'in His way.'" The editor is sorry. He often has to cut down articles to get things in and always tries to do it so that the style is not materially changed or the meaning. Sometimes that is very hard to do.

FIRST BAPTIST, Niles

The church gave Pastor and Mrs. T. Fred Hussey a Christmas present of a two week's vacation in Florida. We are sure it was much deserved after all the work of leading in the building of the new Sunday school unit, as well as caring for a growing church. During his absence Rev. John Martin of Defiance, Ohio, and Rev. Ralph Lenz, pastor of the Independent Baptist Church of Novelty, Ohio, supplied the pulpit.

BETHEL BAPTIST, Warren

Pastor Karl Smith and his workers have put out a 32-page Annual Report

that makes up a real history of the work of the church in 1959 as well as giving recommendations for the future. A total of 37 were taken into the church, which brings the membership up to 197. Sunday school attendance rose to an average of 160. A very interesting report was that of their Bible Club Missionary, Donna Culver, who held or supervised 31 weekly children's classes through the year with a total attendance of 1998, and with 175 children professing faith in Christ. She had 43 volunteer workers. Jail services were held by the men and at the Warren Rescue Mission with some professions that seemed real.



A HORN OF PLENTY AT BEDFORD

The Bible Baptist Church filled a Horn of Plenty and a Cracker Barrel besides with canned goods and staple foods for the Mt. Tabor Christian High School of Beckley, W. Va., on Thanksgiving Day. Pastor Morrell is deeply interested in this school, where two of his children have attended and where he has more than once been a speaker. It is indeed worthy of our help.

BETHEL BAPTIST, Erie, Pa.

The Extension Committee and the Bethel Foundation are looking into the Kearsarge area south of Erie as a possible place for a new mission work, now that the Garden Heights church is getting well established. The Watch-Night Service held three periods of interest—a showing of the Martin Luther film, a celebration of the 25th wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Robert L. Gilbert, and the pastor's "Thoughts for the New Year."

MIDVIEW BAPTIST, Grafton

Feb. 21 will be the Fifth Anniversary of the church, which began in a store building with 17 present and now averages over 200. The editor of the OIB, Ralph T. Nordlund, will be the speaker for the day. Evangelist John Jason is holding meetings while this is being written but we have not yet heard the results.

BIBLE MISSION BAPTIST, Otsego

Pastor Bert Kinsey writes most appreciatively of the OIB and passes on the news written up by their news reporter. We wish we could print all of this most interesting report but will have to cut some.

"The Bible Mission Baptist Church had the Glenn Hunt family (missionaries to the Philippines), with Glenn preaching both services and his wife giving a beautiful message in song. Dec. 20th we attended the afternoon services of the Bible Mission Baptist Church of Reynoldsburg. On the program were Rev. Bert Kinsey representing our work, Gilbert Cubbison, telling of a new work at Quaker City, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Yeager of the Zanesville church giving several messages in song and the main message. Tapes were heard of the Knicelys and Hornbrooks from Mexico, Bonnie Knicely retold one of her radio children's talks on the Life and Light Program, and Editor Ralph Nordlund gave a few words on Psalm 127.

"As we look forward to 1960, it is our prayer that we might see the work of the Lord go forward and that He might accomplish his will through us in this little community of Otsego."

CALVARY BAPTIST, Findlay

Pastor F. Donald Worden tells of a Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Monday mornings that is proving a blessing, and that a Visitation Program is being instituted Jan. 5th. Jan. 22, the Moody Men's Glee Club will put on a program of sacred song. Then Dr. Irvine Robertson of Moody Institute will follow with a Bible Conference Jan. 23-27.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST, Piqua

A real revival was experienced last fall, when W. B. Bingham of Kentucky held two weeks of evangelistic meetings. Fourteen have been baptized and eleven taken in by letter, more than doubling the membership.

DR. KETCHAM BACK ON THE JOB

Not only is he back to the office and helping to edit the Baptist Bulletin, but he is taking a limited number of speaking engagements. He will be at the Struthers Baptist Tabernacle March 4-6.

BIBLE MISSION BAPTIST, Zanesville

Pastor Llewellyn Thompson preached his farewell sermon Dec. 27th, and Pastor Walter Yeager began his ministry Jan 3rd. This church was organized by Rev. Thompson about 11 years ago and has been a center of activity for both home and foreign mission work, of Gospel broadcasting, and of Bible conferences. It was while he was here that Brother Thompson was instrumental in opening up the Salt Fork church near Quaker City and more recently began the church at Reynoldsburg that he will now pastor full time, as well as being the inspiration for others beginning works at Newark and Quaker City. He was also one of the leaders in getting the Moriah Baptist Association organized.

Rev. and Mrs. Walter Yeager have been busy in evangelistic work for some years and had a long schedule of meetings when he accepted the call to Zanesville in July. While he cancelled many of them, he felt obligated to continue until Christmas time and so comes fresh from that field. We believe the Zanesville work will fit in admirably with his evangelistic gifts and passion and that

... WHAT OUR CHURCHES ARE DOING

many souls will be added to that church in the months that lie ahead. We welcome him to our Association.

TRINITY BAPTIST, Lorain

The Junior Choir, directed by Mrs. Thomas Wickline, put on a Christmas program of Songs and Scripture Sunday night, Dec. 20th. The Sunday school reached its record attendance that Sunday of 262. On Watch-Night Services at Trinity and West Side, the two pastors exchanged pulpits, with Rev. James Godley, Jr., speaking at Trinity and Rev. Elton C. Hukill speaking at the West Side Baptist Church.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST, Lima

Pastor Richard McIntosh announces that Dr. Carl Sweazy of California will hold a Deeper Life Bible Conference Feb. 14-21. Readers living within driving distance are invited to come.

BEREA BAPTIST, Berea

The young people have brought home the attendance banner twice now in the C group at the Hebron Youth Rally, and last month also won the Bible quiz.

New Year's Eve was a blessed time, when their own member missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Richard Durham sang and preached. They are home on furlough from the Philippines, where they serve under ABWE.

FAITH BAPTIST, Van Wert

God is blessing the faithful daily visitation work of Missionary Ted Cary. Souls have been saved, and recently three were baptized into the church.

AVON BAPTIST, Avon

Pastor Homer E. Graven reports the greatest blessings of his eleven years in the ministry. Nov. 29 to Dec. 20 13 souls came to Christ, and that day five more and two for baptism. Unity and spiritual blessing rests upon the congregation.

CALVARY BAPTIST TABERNACLE, Sandusky

Two outstanding missionary leaders have recently brought a blessing to the church according to Pastor Tassell: Rev. Harold Amstutz, who is deputation secretary of ABWE, and Rev. Paul Peterson, president and director of the Eastern European Mission. Mr. Peterson has spent nearly all of his life in Europe, and he told of conditions in East and West Berlin, and of the threat of Communism. At Watch-night Service that impression was deepened by the showing of the film, *The Silent Witness*.

Attendance is growing, with 204 present Jan. 3rd.

FIRST BAPTIST, Findlay

The Young People entertained the young people from Calvary Baptist at a Christmas banquet. Pastor and Mrs. Ralph Kemmerer were remembered with two end tables and a coffee table for Christmas from the church. The Sunday school is buying a new Gestetner mimeograph for church use.

A "Conquest of Space" contest is being held in the Sunday school and attendance is growing. January 17th it was 32 above last year.



GROVE CITY CHURCH RECENTLY DEDICATED

December 4-6 were Days of Dedication at the Bible Baptist Church of Grove City, a suburb of Columbus. Friday evening Rev. Richard T. McIntosh of the Northside Baptist Church of Lima was the speaker. Saturday evening, the Director of the Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions, Rev. J. Irving Reese, gave the message. It has been under the sponsorship of FBHM that this church has been organized. Sunday afternoon the dedication service was held, with Rev. Wm. A. Brock of Immanuel Baptist Church in Columbus bringing the sermon. This service was well attended and was a real inspiration to this church of 33 heroic members who have made this building possible.

The building is 34 by 65 feet in size and cost \$12,573. Needless to say, Pastor Myers has labored for months with his hands, and the members have helped all they could, or the cost would have been much more.

As can be seen in the picture, the church operates a bus. Also seen in the picture is Pastor George Myers, his three children, and Jim Aleshire, one of the bus drivers. The Sunday school is averaging 130, and so there is actually need of more room already. Pray for this struggling and yet growing church.

FIRST CHRISTIAN BAPTIST, Coshocton

The annual Young People's Christmas Banquet featured Rev. E. Richard Markel as speaker, and awards to "The Young Person of the Year," given to a Junior and a Senior. A well attended Watch Night service was held, with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Love, missionaries to Spain as speakers, and Evangelist Bert Peterson playing his trumpet and bringing a dedication message. Another recent speaker has been Rev. Alan Metcalf of the Hebrew Christian Society.

Two families have come into the church in December and others are preparing for baptism. Attendance is well above last year.

SHARON BAPTIST, Sharon, Pa.

This church is on the Honor Roll, with 25 subscriptions among 104 members, because each year the Young

People go to work and canvass the membership. Good for you Y. P!

MARANATHA BAPTIST, Springfield

Mrs. Booghier writes: "We are praising the Lord for His blessings last month. We enjoyed a well-attended Christmas program Dec. 20th. The Sunday school attendance increased 21 after the first week of our new Visitation Program. A male brass quartet has been formed that is proving a real blessing. The newly formed Junior Group is studying the Gospel of John and growing in numbers. Lastly, we are just a few subscriptions from the goal set for OIB subscriptions at Maranatha. We trust the goal will be reached by next month." (That must mean a goal of every home, for they already are in the honor class.)

FIRST BAPTIST, Gallipolis

After the blessings of the holidays, when Pastor and Mrs. Young were given an automatic washing machine and an electric blanket, and the baptism of eight December 27th, the church was stunned Jan. 12th to learn of the sudden death of their Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Marshall H. Fowler, who at the early age of 45 was taken by a heart attack. He was also a deacon and trustee, and a member of the Judson Four quartet. He was a successful business man and active in community affairs. He will be greatly missed.

CALVARY BAPTIST, Norwalk

Pastor Beightol writes that a family of five came into the church the last of the year, making 23 additions for the year. Five others are awaiting baptism. Attendance at all services have continued good.

PENFIELD JUNCTION BAPTIST, Lorain

Another church experiencing blessings is where Pastor Edw. E. Spencer is ministering. He reports 16 new members in the last two months and more were to be baptized Jan. 24th. Feb. 1-7 Dr. Frank C. Torrey is to hold special meetings and we trust more will be saved. The Sunday school is running at an all-time high.



HOW TO PUT ON A MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

By Pastor R. Kenneth Smelser, First Baptist Church, Medina

Dr. Oswald Smith said, "Take your missionaries off the budget and put them on the platform." We have put the missionaries on the platform at First Baptist in Medina, and it works. Round-robin conferences are good, but it is far better to have a group of missionaries to eat and sleep with your people throughout the whole conference. God will bless any people who will give up their own comfortable beds a few nights or feed His choice servants—the missionaries.

But how do it? Use your Missionary Committee, or appoint six to be a committee to take care of the following:

I. One person to arrange for sleeping. His job is to line up the people who will furnish a bed and breakfast and assign the missionaries when they arrive.

II. *Meals* are arranged by another member of the committee. Breakfasts are cared for where missionaries sleep. Noon lunches should be provided by the social committee of the church so all missionaries may eat together. Evening meals should be arranged for in the homes of the church people. This puts missionaries out among the families.

III. *Program and advertising*—11:00 A.M., prayer meeting for the missionaries and the pastor; 2:00 P.M., twenty-five minutes given to a missionary for a human interest story, then a Bible study given by a Bible teacher invited to feed the missionaries during the conference; 7:30 P.M., the first twenty-five minutes, pictures (moving or slides) of one field, ten minutes to follow with devotions by a neighboring pastor, then thirty minutes for a message by a missionary from another field. At least two fields are given each night. Saturday 2:00 P.M., a children's rally with all missionaries showing and explaining curios and singing or talking in native tongue of their fields. Sunday afternoon 2:30, all missionaries on the platform dressed in the costumes of their fields and giving their per-

sonal testimonies of conversion and call. The Saturday rally could be combined with Sunday afternoon. Each missionary only taking about seven minutes, depending on the number attending. At Sunday School missionaries teach the various classes. The conference ought to be a week long or not less than four days to do well. It is good if you can afford to have a song leader and use him to keep every session rolling on time . . . after all the data is collected, an attractive program should be printed, pictures and stories run in the newspaper. Get assistance from the church publicity committee.

IV. *Taxi service*—this committee member finds whose cars might be available or on call. Missionaries may have to be met or taken to trains or planes. Also they may need help to get around during the conference.

V. *Finances*—offerings are to be taken each night and all the money received on Sunday except the church envelope should go to the missionary conference. All offerings should be pooled to pay:

a. Travelling expense of missionaries, b. Advertising, c. Bible teacher and song leader (figure set ahead of time by the committee), d. Divide the balance among the missionaries. Help to be given by the financial committee of the church.

VI. *Secretarial work*—this consists of writing to:

a. Travelling expense of missionary couple or one to represent their field and work, getting names and addresses in order to correspond personally with the missionary.

b. Write to the missionary to get a personal story for advertising, a mat or picture. Note: Literature shouldn't be allowed to be sold, but displayed on each curio table with a plate for free-will offering to pay literature bill.

Conclusion: Your missionary giving should double and interest ought to run high for global missions. The children of the church will become acquainted with people who have served the Lord across the ocean, and before long surely the Lord will honor the church by calling some of its own to service.

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STUDIES IN FIRST PETER

By Rev. Roland G. Allen, Newark, Ohio

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Having given an introduction to I Peter, we shall make a study of the letter itself. In doing so, we shall take the theme of this epistle and see:

THE WAY THIS THEME IS EXPANDED



First of all, let us rise high so we can catch a bird's eye view of the letter, and see the general layout of the book as a whole. The author wishes to suggest the following basic outline:

Introduction 1:1, 2

I Incentives to faithfulness
1:3—2:10

A Blessedness of its goal
1:3-16

B Incorruptibility of its
origin 1:17—2:2

C Preciousness of its ob-
ject 2:3-10

II Faithfulness in unjust suf-
fering 2:11—4:19

A Its nature—submission
2:11—3:7

B Its value 3:8-22

C Its purifying effect 4:1-
11

D Its cause for rejoicing
4:12-19

III Exhortations to suffering un-
der-shepherds of suffering
flocks 5:1-9

A Feed the flock 5:1, 2

B Lead the flock 5:3, 4

C Serve in humility 5:5-7

D Protect the flock 5:8, 9

Benediction 5:10, 11

Closing salutations and greetings
5:12-14

As the redeemed of God, there are some areas of our lives which may be so fully under the control of the Holy Spirit that we wouldn't even think of being unfaithful to our Lord under those particular temptations and testings. On the other hand, as we allow the searchlight of the Holy Spirit to flood our lives, many areas are revealed where the flesh is particularly strong. Sometimes we are tempted to give up and say, "What's the use?" We need an incentive to urge us on to greater faithfulness. As Peter writes under the direction of the Holy Spirit and looking back on his own experiences, he realizes this. Therefore, he reminds his

suffering people of the eternal rewards and approval of our Lord that is to be gained by faithfulness to Him. Too often we look backward on earthly losses rather than looking forward and upward to heavenly gains.

Peter also reminds us of the solid foundation on which we are even now building. The precious blood of Christ and the eternal Word of God which form the basis, the foundation, the origin, or beginning of our salvation become also the origin or beginning of our faithfulness to Christ. These are not subject to corruption and decay. They are eternal. Therefore, beloved, we can have nothing to lose, but everything to gain.

Then too, we are reminded of the Precious Object of faithfulness, the Lord Jesus Christ. Should not our love for Him Who is so precious to us stir our hearts to the fullest measure of devotion and loyalty? "We love Him because He first loved us." (I John 4:19) And how great was that love!

Having stirred their hearts to loyal devotion to Christ, Peter speaks to his people about their immediate problem of remaining faithful in the face of suffering unjustly. He points out that the nature of it requires that we be submissive to the persecutors and seek to win them by a life lived

well-pleasing to the Lord. What a hard lesson for us to learn!

"But," you say, "what value is there in this?" Peter answers, "The approval of God, a good conscience, and the satisfaction of knowing that if we are submissive now, later we shall be rulers."

Suffering in the flesh also has a purifying effect upon us. We begin to realize the futility of a life without eternity's values in view. We would rather live to the glory of God and reap eternal rewards.

Did you ever rejoice because of suffering for Christ? Peter says we are to rejoice, and well we may, for we know it will accrue to the glory of Christ and greater rewards for us.

Finally, the pastors are given exhortations under these testing circumstances. They must feed their people with God's Word. They are responsible to lead them by setting a good example. They must serve humbly in utter dependence on God, and they must vigilantly protect their sheep, as well as themselves, against the treacherous, devouring adversary, Satan.

Having caught a glimpse of the main development of this letter, our next studies will be concerned with a further, more detailed analysis.

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SOMETHING IS HAPPENING IN AFRICA

By Florence Houck, Worker at Niamey, W. Africa under Evangelical Baptist Missions

Just having completed my first term of missionary service in French West Africa under Evangelical Baptist Missions, I marvel at His grace in giving me such a high and holy calling. Indeed it is wonderful to be back in the homeland again. My furlough is rapidly passing by, and although it is very hard to part from loved ones, I set my face as a flint and look forward with joy to my return to the field in July.

When I first arrived home, I noticed many changes—physically, materially and spiritually. Yes, America has been going through a period of transition, and so has Africa. This land once known as the Dark Continent is fast becoming a land of possibilities. Now in some of the larger cities, one can go into a self-service store and buy many things that were formerly unheard of in Africa. The Africans are dressing more and more like the Europeans, and showing much pride over their possessions of bicycles and automobiles.

Education is greatly desired, and as formerly feared by the Whites, many of the educated class have turned to Communism. More and more is the future of the white man in Africa seen to be limited—one of guarding of lives and possessions. Truly, Communism and the furious flame of Nationalism are two leading and determining forces in Africa today.

Things are happening, and greatest of all changes to the missionary's point of view is the spiritual awakening that is taking place. This is especially noticeable among the Mohammedan people. The Moslem world is the greatest and most neglected mission field throughout all the earth. This is mainly because of the fear of death as laid down in the Koran as the penalty for becoming Christians, which has made the work difficult and the progress slow. Evangelical Baptist Missions has been working in French West Africa since 1929, where about 90% of the inhabitants are Moslem. Now, after 3 decades of seed-sowing, we believe the time of harvest has come. More Moslems are coming to Christ now than at any other time in the history of Christian missions to these people. Relations with the government are on a very favorable and cordial



basis, therefore we seize the advantage of this great door of opportunity that is opened to us. They aren't coming by the hundreds, nor by tens or even by five; but one by one they are accepting Christ and becoming ardent witnesses for Jesus Christ.

Although our Mission has but one purpose and aim, that of the work of evangelization, it offers many opportunities for the spreading of the Gospel and the winning of souls to Christ. The scores of people that come to our dispensaries daily to receive treatment for their illness, learn also that God has provided a treatment for their sin-sick hearts.

Village visitation helps win the confidence of the people; and trekking takes the missionary into villages that have, in many cases, been unreached by the white man or the Gospel. Also, regular services, Bible classes, Sunday school and youth rallies are conducted on each mission station.

Bible and book stores and colportage work, including tract distribution, are very important—and vital to mission work, due to the increasing emphasis laid upon education. Communists are putting out tons of literature, and the literate people are accepting this false propaganda as "truth." The need is urgent—we must get gospel literature out and give them the Word of Life.

More students are graduating from schools on African soil than ever before in history. These young people will be future leaders in the colony. As a teacher

in our Christian school at Niamey, I especially am burdened for the salvation of these children. It is a joy to reveal Christ, without governmental restriction, to these black children. Some of them have never heard of His saving love and perhaps never would if they did not come to our school. Daily Bible classes are conducted in the school and every opportunity to win them for Christ is grasped.

We encounter much opposition to the Gospel; and when one of these little Moslems accepts Christ, he is often mocked at and many times suffers persecution. One day at school, Idday was wondrously saved. In spite of mockery, he lived such a radiant Christian life that the people in his village often pointed their fingers at him and shouted, "Isa" (meaning Jesus). Upon graduating from our school, he entered a Christian teacher-training school. In just a few years, after completing this course, he will come back to our school and help us as a teacher.

These children, who are under Christian influence during school hours, must go back to the village in the evening, where they dare not mention the name of Jesus. Many of them are forced to sit around the fire at night and memorize the Koran in the Arabic language, of which they know nothing—all this just to fulfil the father's desire that his son become a Moslem priest or at least a staunch Moslem. Then too, because of broken homes and a total absence of parental love and care, many of these precious little ones have no place that they can call home and are left to roam like animals, to get along the best way they know how.

I would stress the definite need of a boarding school for these school children, which will permit them to live all the time in a spiritual atmosphere. The Mission already has the contract to build, so pray that those who are financially able may give freely, that the erection of this boarding school may be a reality this year.

Pray! Give! Come over to help us, if you hear Him calling you. We have an urgent need for a secretary, and also for a builder. Come anyway if the Lord is calling you—the need for laborers is

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MINISTERING TO NAVY BIRDMEN

Chaplain D. A. Waite, CHC, USNR, Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas

XXIII. OPPORTUNITIES WITH RESTRICTIONS

Jesus Christ and His redemption in my chaplain's columns in the station paper (which my minister would not do); I could continue to use the Protestant Unified Curriculum for Sunday School — dominated as it is by the National Council of Churches with its non-Bible-centeredness and its unitarian treatment of our Lord (which my minister would not do); and I could trim my message of Christ as the only Savior to sinful mankind, and in so doing, preach "another gospel" (which my minister does not do). And in doing all these things and compromising convictions for the sake of expediency (all of which a Southern Baptist friend is doing), I feel sure I would be promoted faster and more certainly, but I will not so compromise! I will not, I must not, I cannot, and I do not, because first of all I represent my Lord and His Word, and secondly because I represent YOU — churches associated with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches — and we don't do things that way, do we!

Not A Lone Wolf. What a good feeling to know that we're not a lone wolf in our practices, but that we take part in the practice and doctrine of an ever-increasing group of like-minded churches, pastors, and people. In the *Chaplain's Manual* (NAVPERS 15664-B) under the section of the mission of the chaplain as a clergyman (2201.a) it is

written: "The chaplain is in the Navy as the clergyman of his particular religious faith, and the Navy expects him to continue his ministry and religious stewardship in the spirit and tenets of the church in which he is ordained."

Now you'd think, the way this is so clearly written, that the matter would be settled, but due to personalities and individual feelings, pressure is brought to bear to cut this paragraph out of our manual in practice. It was pointed out that as a "Regular Baptist" I represented only about 8 people on this base. I feel personally that I represent a great many more Baptists than that, but I'd like to urge some of the churches that are teetering on the verge of remaining independent completely or of associating themselves with the GARBC, to affiliate and be counted! It would help our chaplains to represent officially more people. But small or large, it's good to know you represent a group that assumes a resting position on the verbally inspired Word of God and takes a stand on convictions and matters pertaining thereto.

Our Practice. Since sound literature such as that of Scripture Press could not be introduced in place of the Protestant Unified Curriculum of the modernistic fringe, and since I did not feel I could any longer be associated as the officer "in charge" (?) of such a Sunday School, I requested to be assigned another duty. My wife, Yvonne, concurred in this decision most wholeheartedly. An equal portion of Sunday morning time with the other chaplains would be conducting two services per month, and preaching at two services per month. I conduct one and preach at one. I don't know all the "why" of it, but I will continue being faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ even at this unequal number of services. Pray for us and for those to whom we minister the Word and with whom we work. Believe it or not (after reading this article), we are "happy in the service of our King." Are you?

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We have been so busy here in our new duty station that for the past few months no article has even been submitted to the OIB, but finally things are almost back to normal and we now want to share with you some of our recent news from this field.

Our Ministries. Here on the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, there are many opportunities for ministering in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I preach every Sunday evening in the new evening service we began eleven weeks ago. We began with three and have had as many as 36 in attendance. We are in a series in the Gospel of John, taking one chapter per week. Every other week I preach at the brig (navy jail). The Lord has unusually blessed His Word each week to these 14 to 28 men who attend and each week from one to three profess first-time faith in Christ as Savior. In the morning services, one at 9:30 and one at 11:00, I preach usually only once per month on the series: MEETING JESUS CHRIST, showing different men and women from the Scriptures who met Him and were transformed. Every Sunday Von and I are in charge of the Sunday School, and the Lord has blessed her flannelgraph stories to the primaries with the result that many have professed their faith in Christ. In addition to these preaching and serving activities, I visit my Advanced Training Unit 611 daily, visit the hospital, and give character education lectures.

Our Restriction. I feel there would be no restriction in the ministry of the Word of God if I were to do one thing—compromise. I could wear a robe to preach in (which my minister does not do); I could administer communion by the intinction method—dipping a wafer in wine and putting it on the person's tongue (which my minister does not do); I could leave out any mention of the Lord

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A new form of student self-government has been set up, called The Associated Student Body. The various student organizations appoint representatives, and these along with 4 elected officers, form the Student Council.

Another "new" is the establishment of a student newspaper. It will be published every two weeks and contain editorials, news, articles, pictures and other features. Friends may subscribe for \$1.50 a year from Ronald Ulmen, c/o Baptist Bible Seminary, Johnson City, N. Y.

LOS ANGELES COMMENCEMENT GEARED TO GARBC MEETING

Since the GARBC annual meeting will be held in Los Angeles this coming June, commencement activities have been set for June 17 and 18, so messengers can visit the school and take in both events. Commencement will be the 17th, the Banquet and a Seminary-Alumni baseball game the 18th. Pray for the financial needs of the Seminary!

SOMETHING IS HAPPENING IN AFRICA

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great. There is one missionary to every 18,000 Africans. We have a duty to perform and a debt to pay that these may hear the Good News of Salvation through Jesus Christ and be saved.

CEDARVILLE ANNOUNCES BOND SELLING

On page 20 a full page ad will tell the story, but prayer is requested that many of the 17,000 letters to friends of the school, as well as the advertising will produce results and that all the indebtedness of the school may be funded under one plan and be in Christian hands. The interest itself should make it an attractive investment, but the real interest will be the opportunity to help this Christian college continue to expand and meet the need of hundreds of GARBC young people who would like to come.

CHOIR No. 1 and CHOIR No. 2 and CHRISTMAS MUSIC AND QUARTETS . . . Professors Warren Webber and George Zinn are making music "hum" around Cedarville. The Chapel Choir

and the Chamber Band joined the College Choir in singing carols, the Band played Christmas medleys, the College Choir gave a Nativity cantata, and students did much caroling around the Cedarville area. Then the Men's Quartet is already planning for a summer tour of the East, so pastors in Ohio and eastward should contact the college soon if they want the quartet to visit their church.

The lounge in the new dormitory is finished as of January first, which means all three buildings started or enlarged last June have now, with minor details, been completed—thanks to Contractor James Richardson, Supt. Cliff Boessel and the men who worked with them. It also means the bonds ought to get sold and all payments made.

WESTERN BAPTIST IN EXTENDED MINISTRIES

Christian Education workshops are being conducted and Extension Classes are being held by the instructors of Western Baptist Bible College, not only in the San Francisco Bay area and Sacramento, but as far east as Reno, Nevada, and south to Fresno. At Easter time the Choir will be keeping some

twenty engagements in California, Oregon and Washington. It is considered the best choir ever sent out by the school.

Other activities have been the Annual Missionary Conference Feb. 1-5, with High School students the guests of honor on the 5th.

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January 29th a council composed of messengers from nine churches met at the Calvary Baptist Church of Bellefontaine to consider the advisability of setting Forrest Sidle apart to the Gospel Ministry. The church had already held an examination taking up a whole prayer meeting session for it, before calling for a council from other churches. After a long period of questioning the candidate on his conversion, call to the ministry, and especially on his doctrinal views, the council unanimously voted to recommend his ordination and commended him upon his fine behaviour and sincere answers. The ordination service was set for that evening and the ladies of the church had prepared a bountiful feast for the messengers in the parish house next door.

Rev. Richard McIntosh of Lima acted as moderator and also gave the charge to the candidate in the evening. Rev. Douglas R. Couch, pastor of the South Lima Baptist Church, acted as clerk. Rev. Dale Cadman of Xenia read the Scripture, Rev. Ralph T. Nordlund gave the charge to the church, Rev. James T. Jeremiah preached the ordination sermon, and Rev. Gerald Barlow of Bellefontaine led in the prayer.

Rev. and Mrs. Forrest Sidle received training in Cedarville Col-

ROAMINGS OF THE EDITOR

We begin with the last Sunday of '59, when we supplied for Pastor Donald Matheny at Rochester. He had planned to visit loved ones in W. Virginia for Christmas and return to preach, but the church graciously told him to stay over Sunday. They had good music as usual, and a fine spirit in all services. They were quite thrilled over the parsonage they had bought next door and were planning a lot of improvements. It does churches good to have something to work for co-operatively.

The New Year began with a triple appointment. Saturday noon we took a bus to Youngstown. The driver stepped on the floor board when he was late, which only gave us nervous jitters we weren't all over when we got to speaking to the Bethany Youth Rally at McDonald. They were a splendid bunch, however, and listened to a New Year's message on, "Not Better Than Our Fathers," with rapt attention. Such preaching to young people takes grace, but they had it. That Sunday we preached in the beautiful Berean Baptist Church for Pastor Robert Hill in the morning, and for Struthers Baptist Tabernacle in the evening.

lege and Temple Baptist Schools of Chattanooga, Tenn. They have been provisionally accepted by Baptist Mid-Missions for service in British Columbia, up near the Alaskan border and will go as soon as they have sufficient support. Pastor James E. Rosner highly recommends this couple, who are both members of his church.

Pastor Marsteller had a bad cold, so it worked out just right. There was no chill in the meeting, however, but evident workings of the Spirit in a happy house-full.

Jan. 10th was the 4th anniversary of Emmanuel Baptist of Piqua, and Pastor Clarence Curley and his people had something to celebrate. Their fall revival had more than doubled the membership, and that day they broke all records with 70 in attendance and a full house at night again. They have filled their store building church to overflowing and just have to build, whether they have the means or not. Pray for them! Pray also for Pastor Harold Green and the Faith Baptist Church of Greenville. We drove over in the afternoon for a visit and saw something of the struggle that most of our new missionary churches go through. If any one thinks home missionary work is easy, he should try! However, there is that fourth anniversary to look forward to, for they haven't had their third yet.

Jan. 17th we had the privilege of preaching for Brother Beightol at the Calvary Baptist Church of Norwalk and it proved a blessing to the editor's soul. The auditorium was full and the spirit good. That was in the morning. We got home in time to take Mrs. Nordlund and our daughter (Pastor Tucker might get after me for this) to visit First Baptist in Findlay and hear Pastor Kemmerer preach. The attendance was up from what it used to be and there were real signs of more blessings to come.



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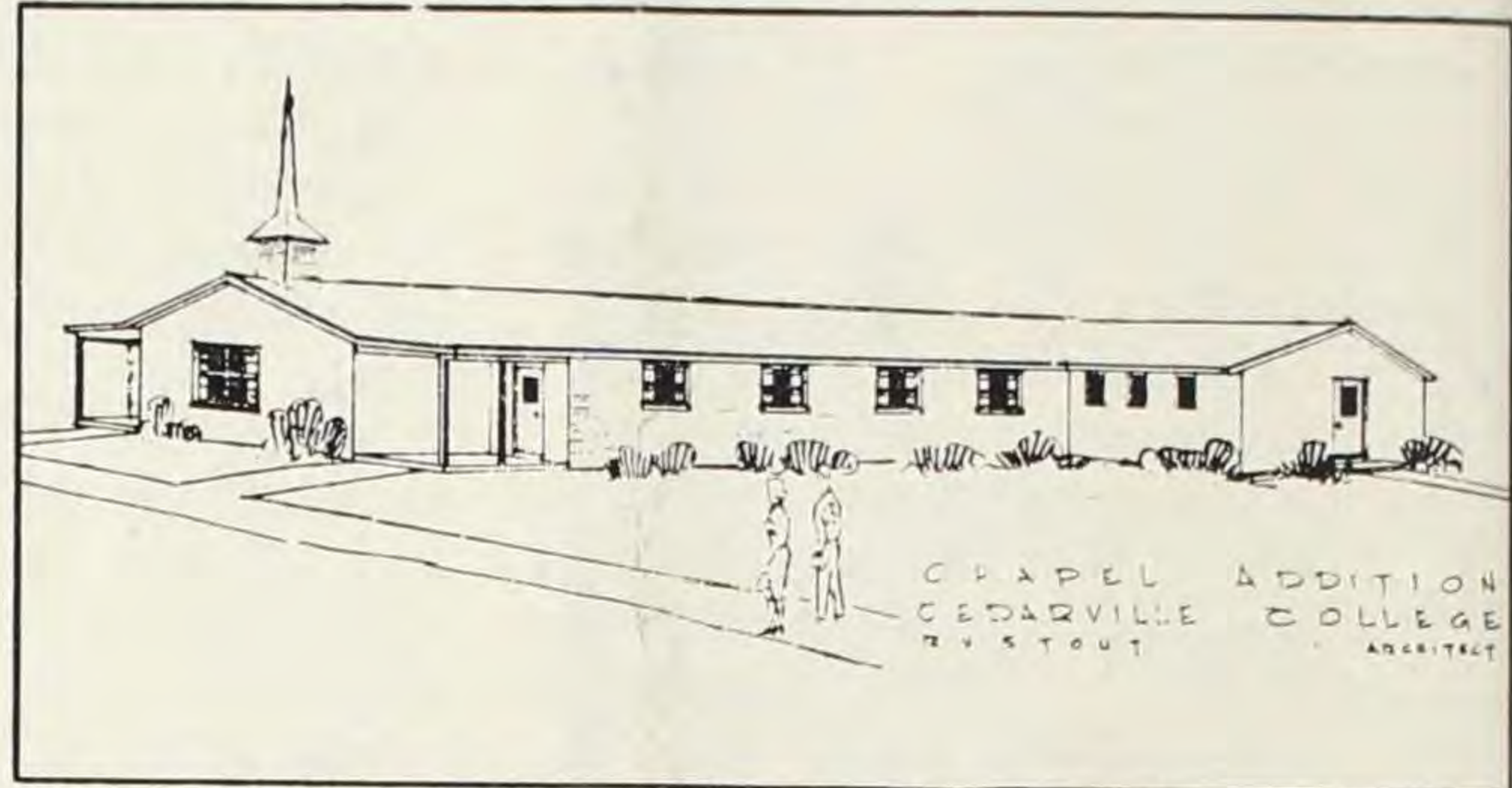
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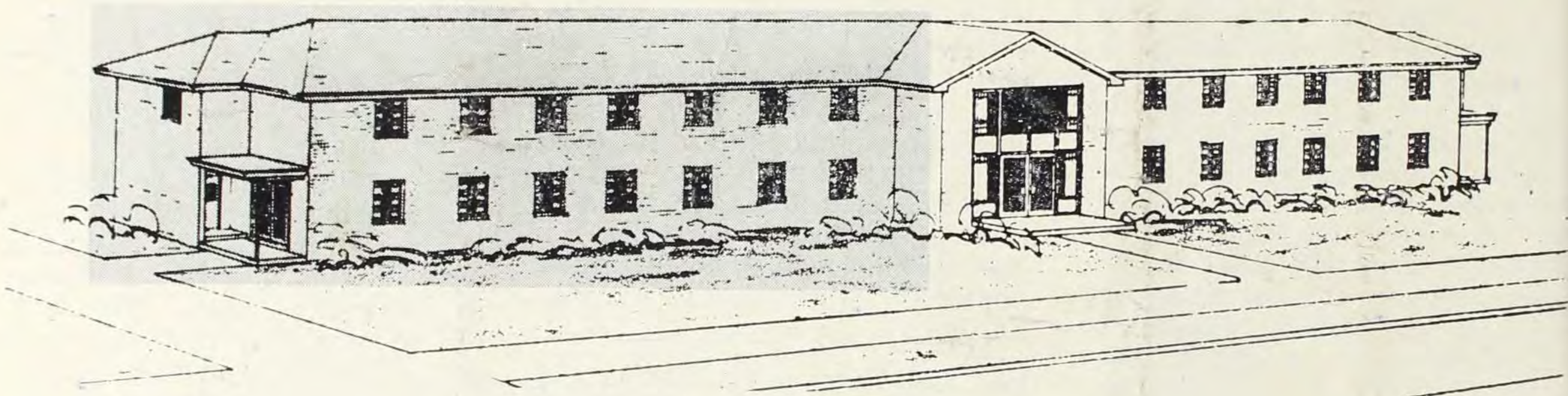
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